

BURTON ON THE WOLDS, COTES AND PRESTWOLD PARISH COUNCIL

PLANTATION MANAGEMENT SUB COMMITTEE

PLANTATION MANAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES

12TH APRIL 2010

Minutes of a meeting of the Plantation Management Committee held at the Pavilion, Towles Fields, Burton on the Wolds on Monday 12th April 2010 at 7.30pm

Present

Mrs C Thomson
Mr D Brewis
Cllr W Best
Cllr D McDermott
Mrs S Best (Parish Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Paul Rushforth, Cllr Margaret Pickford, John Kenney

2. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th January 2010 were amended on paragraph 3 from matters arising (tree survey was replaced with safety audit with Rob Morris) and then approved and accepted.

3. Matters arising

It was discussed if loose gravel is needed and if to ask for a contribution from the quarry. It was agreed that Cllr McDermott would survey how much is needed and may apply to the B & Q community fund via the local store manager. Clerk to draft letter and email to Cath Thomson for approval.

Cllr McDermott reported that logs have been seen back in the pond.

4. Finance

The clerk handed out the finance report, with £716.88 in the account (as at 31/3/10)

Cath Thomson reported that Breathing Places had signed off on the funding accounts.

Derek Brewis confirmed that £265 had been donated by "Friends" since December.

The financial commitments stands at £50 for chipping (£100 shared with PFA) and fencing for £317.25.

It was agreed that the clerk would continue to manage the financial records. The committee is to try and recruit a person to manage "Friends". Cllr McDermott volunteered to design posters for the entrances, encouraging users to become a "Friend".

5. Fund Raising

Cath Thomson reported that John Kenney has looked at funding from 3M and East Midlands Airport.

It was then discussed what projects we are trying to raise funds for. It was suggested the following projects be considered.

- a) Fencing on the Northern side of the Plantation.
- b) Improvement to the ponds.
- c) Safety of the woods.
- d) Bio-diversity
- e) Marginal planting in ponds – native only and non invasive.

Cllr McDermott offered to install the fencing posts but it was thought that they would be too heavy to transport. It was agreed that Cath Thomson would obtain quotes for the supply and installation of the fencing.

It was reported that Joan Shaw had asked the Archeology department to investigate if the ponds were medieval. The conclusion was that the short one may be, but the others were probably part of the pleasure garden for Burton Hall.

The possibility of deepening the ponds was discussed, but it was agreed that for safety reasons this would not be pursued.

6. Bat Walk – 7th May

Cath Thomson has had confirmation from Jenny Harris. It was agreed that refreshments will be served in the Pavilion.

The evening will start at 7.30pm with captive bats in the Pavilion, followed by a talk at 8pm, and a sonic bat walk at 9pm. Event will be limited to 25 people. If bats are present and the event is oversubscribed, the event may be repeated.

7. Volunteer Days – update and future plans

Over the winter season only one volunteer day was cancelled due to bad weather. Lots of student days were also held. It was agreed to carry on with the volunteer programme for the next year and hopefully repeat the success of this season.

8. Plantation on the Village Website

Cllr Best reported on recent works to the village website. Pictures have been placed in the general gallery and some history has been placed under the Plantation heading with recent pictures. Cath Thomson agreed to send draft copy for the woodland funday to Cllr Best, so that this can also be inserted.

Cllr McDermott suggested a webcam and video clips. This will be investigated with university student input.

9. AGM – 10th May – Paul Rushforth and Derek Brewis stepping down

It was confirmed that three Parish Council representatives and three others would stand on the committee. It was agreed that positions be offered as a Friends Secretary and also a Media / Advertising role.

Cath Thomson agreed to draft an A5 leaflet to be delivered to every residence in Burton on the Wolds. Sarah Best agreed to print the leaflets and Cllr McDermott agreed to co-ordinate delivery.

It was agreed that in the Chairmans absence, the clerk would write the AGM and normal meeting agenda for May 10th.

10. Village Fun Day – 13th June

The Woodland Day will run alongside the Fun Day. Cath Thomson reported that she has raised £200 from Star Energy (oil).

So far, a green wood worker, Hoots Owls, a nature trail and willow weaving have been organised. Cath Thomson agreed to contact Hancock's cash and carry for a possible donation towards refreshments. Free gifts are to be donated by Springwatch (ITV).

Cllr Best agreed to take photographs on the day.

11. Any Other Business

None

12. Date of Next Meeting

It was confirmed that the AGM followed by a normal meeting are to be held on Monday 10th May at 7.30pm. in the Pavilion.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55 pm



Plantation Management Committee Accounts
(included in Burton on the Wolds, Cotes and Prestwold Parish Council Accounts)

| Date | Details | Debit | Credit | Balance | Breathing Spaces |
|------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | | 2009 Year End BP2 balance |
| | | | | £1,995.14 | |
| 07/04/2009 | Outwoods Tree Services | £120.00 | | £1,875.14 | |
| 07/04/2009 | Hunterelm | £300.00 | | £1,575.14 | |
| 07/04/2009 | Wolds Property Improvements | £220.00 | | £1,355.14 | |
| 08/04/2009 | Subs and wood sales | | £50.00 | £1,405.14 | |
| 28/04/2009 | Subs | | £10.00 | £1,415.14 | |
| 05/05/2009 | Cath Thomson (Tarps) | £11.96 | | £1,403.18 | |
| 12/05/2009 | Subs | | £10.00 | £1,413.18 | |
| 08/05/2009 | Breathing Places 2 | | £2,110.00 | £3,523.18 | £2,110.00 |
| 02/06/2009 | Ian Varley | £300.00 | | £3,223.18 | |
| 02/06/2009 | Instant Print | £16.00 | | £3,207.18 | £2,094.00 |
| 02/06/2009 | CostCo Wholesale | £38.92 | | £3,168.26 | £2,055.08 |
| 02/06/2009 | Trinity Mirror | £160.00 | | £3,008.26 | £1,895.08 |
| 02/06/2009 | Harrod Horticultural | £78.00 | | £2,930.26 | £1,817.08 |
| 02/06/2009 | Quality Garden Tools | £27.34 | | £2,902.92 | £1,789.74 |
| 02/06/2009 | Maggie Moorland | £250.00 | | £2,652.92 | £1,539.74 |
| 02/06/2009 | Insect Lore Europe | £67.94 | | £2,584.98 | £1,471.80 |
| 02/06/2009 | Insect Lore Europe | £51.93 | | £2,533.05 | £1,419.87 |
| 02/06/2009 | Ian Varley | £100.00 | | £2,433.05 | £1,319.87 |
| 02/06/2009 | LCC Rawlins | £110.00 | | £2,323.05 | £1,209.87 |
| 02/06/2009 | Paul Rushforth | £75.00 | | £2,248.05 | £1,134.87 |
| 02/06/2009 | Derek Brewis | £48.88 | | £2,199.17 | |
| 07/07/2009 | Story Roots | £100.00 | | £2,099.17 | £1,034.87 |
| 07/07/2009 | Mr SP Freeman | £100.00 | | £1,999.17 | £934.87 |
| 09/09/2009 | Insect Lore Europe | £49.53 | | £1,949.64 | £885.34 |
| 09/09/2009 | Naturescape | £48.96 | | £1,900.68 | £836.38 |
| 09/09/2009 | AA Stationers | £3.47 | | £1,897.21 | £832.91 |
| 09/09/2009 | Bonkers | £11.19 | | £1,886.02 | £821.72 |
| 09/09/2009 | Wilkinsons | £6.22 | | £1,879.80 | £815.50 |
| 09/09/2009 | Wilkinsons | £9.18 | | £1,870.62 | £806.32 |
| 09/09/2009 | Tesco | £35.60 | | £1,835.02 | £770.72 |
| 09/09/2009 | Wolds Garages | £46.58 | | £1,788.44 | £724.14 |
| 09/09/2009 | Key Craft | £31.20 | | £1,757.24 | £692.94 |
| 09/09/2009 | Insect Lore Europe | £20.43 | | £1,736.81 | £672.51 |
| 09/09/2009 | Story Roots | £250.00 | | £1,486.81 | £422.51 |
| 09/09/2009 | Ian Varley | £80.00 | | £1,406.81 | £342.51 |
| 09/09/2009 | Nita Roa | £80.00 | | £1,326.81 | £262.51 |
| 09/09/2009 | Sarah Field | £70.00 | | £1,256.81 | £192.51 |
| 09/09/2009 | Sarah Field | £50.00 | | £1,206.81 | £142.51 |
| 02/09/2009 | Donations | | £18.00 | £1,224.81 | |
| 09/09/2009 | CSV Grant | | £50.00 | £1,274.81 | |
| 06/10/2009 | RM Ground + Tree Services | £50.00 | | £1,224.81 | |
| 27/10/2009 | Ian Varley | £750.00 | | £474.81 | |
| 03/11/2009 | Cath Thomson | £5.81 | | £469.00 | |
| 03/11/2009 | Cath Thomson | £49.37 | | £419.63 | |
| 23/11/2009 | L & R Wildlife Trust | | £500.00 | £919.63 | |
| 01/12/2009 | RM Ground + Tree Services | £500.00 | | £419.63 | |
| 01/12/2009 | Little Jem Products | £143.00 | | £276.63 | -£0.49 |

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| 01/12/2009 Cath Thomson | £12.00 | | £264.63 |
| 17/12/2009 Friends | | £220.00 | £484.63 |
| 02/02/2010 Outwoods Tree Services | £130.00 | | £354.63 |
| 04/03/2010 Friends | | £40.00 | £394.63 |
| 19/03/2010 Community fund | | £317.25 | £711.88 |
| 29/03/2010 Friends | | £5.00 | £716.88 |
| | | | 2010 year end |